

The regular meeting of the Town Assembly of the Village of Arden was convened at 7:36 PM on January 22, 1990, Chairman William Press presiding.

In attendance were:

Skip Salkeld	Anne Berlin	Frank Young
Woodrow Vandever	Peggy Aumack	Lew Aumack
Eugene Shaw	Bill Weible	Pat Pyle
Jannie Stearns	Sally Hamburger	Connee Wright McKinney
Sally Thurston	Marianne Cingalia	Dane Miller
Betty Cirker	Frances Trench	Rowena Austin
Lou Bean	Ruth Bean	Gail Rinehart
Betty Knott	Shaul Gladstone	Aaron Hamburger
Joan Ware Colgan	Cy Liberman	Lee Starr
Thomas E. Colgan	Carolyn Liberman	Steven Threefoot
Peter Renzetti	Maryellen Jobson	Leon Tanzer
Bill Press	Ruth Panella	Sam Panella
Jim Larsen	Tim Colgan	Susan Rohrbach
Barbara Fenske	Paul Thompson	Lanier Colgan
Frank Akutowicz	Don Holcomb	Cecilia Vore
Elizabeth Varley Walker	Art Hurwitz	Jimmie McCarty
John Demsey	Bonnie Burslem	Alan Burslem
Matthew O'Connor	Larry Walker	Bill Theis
Mary Brent Whipple	Chris Demsey	Lynn Svenning
Bob Wynn (NV)		

The minutes were approved as written.

No communications were received.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustees - Shaul Gladstone

Proceedings to revoke the lease on lot #3B were cancelled when total payment of back land rent was received and material progress in clean-up of the lot was accomplished. Since that time the house has suffered considerable fire damage.

The new rent list has been compiled based on the Board of Assessors report and rent bills will be mailed starting in the next few weeks. Rents are due March 25, 1990.

The Trustees would like to reiterate a request to all committee chairs to supply, at the March Advisory Committee meeting, an estimate of over or under expenditures of their budgets for the fiscal year ending March 24, 1990. These figures are needed to supply the Board of Assessors with an estimate of the surplus existing in the Trustees' account, said estimate being an integral part of the Board's deliberations.

Archives Committee - Sally Hamburger

The committee's plans for the future focus on immediate and long term goals:

Immediate: Researching availability of fireproof storage equipment through company sales, Berger Brothers and the Farmers Market. We plan to store articles in room #4 of the BWVC until we can locate exhibition space.

Long term: Fund raising and grant writing for the Arden Museum. Many people have offered to consult with us on this

ambitious undertaking. We will be inviting Cy Liberman and Tom Colgan to our next meeting to develop a strategy.

We remind all residents to check with the committee before disposing of anything that may be valuable for the Archives.

In accordance with advice from the Advisory Committee, we would like to put the present appointed committee on the ballot for the March election plus 3 other names. Normally there would be 3 seats open on this even numbered year. Numerous phone calls have unearthed many people interested in consulting and advising but only 1 staunch sole willing to serve on the committee. We welcome volunteers.

To aid out fund raising aspirations, we offer the following motion:

Moved that the Town Assembly authorize the Arden Archives Committee to carry on grant writing and fund raising activities toward the establishment of a historical museum. Any such activity will be reported to the Town Assembly Chairman to avoid conflicting requests/

Discussion:

Make sure that grant requests involving matching funds are presented to Town Assembly first.

Motion approved.

Audit Committee - No report

Budget Committee - No report

Buzz Ware Village Center Committee - Connee Wright McKinney

Our committee is pleased to announce several programs organized for February and March. On Sunday, February 4, Ruth Bean will be holding a Valentine making session for children from 2 PM - 3:30 PM.

On Saturday, February 17, children and adults are welcome to make crafts for our third annual Sunshine Foundation fundraiser. From 10 AM to noon we will concentrate on producing our distinctive Sunshine notepaper and cookies. The sale of these items and white elephant donations will be on Saturday, February 24 from 10 AM to 2 PM. Proceeds will be donated to the Philadelphia chapter of the Sunshine Foundation which provides terminally ill and handicapped children with their dream-come-true trips to visit family or places.

A jewelry-making workshop for teenagers and adults will be held in March.

Since the last town meeting we have had nineteen committee meetings and one special event (a children's ~~New~~ Year's Eve Party) at the center.

Two maintenance projects are being considered - one is the roof repair, the other is door replacement. At the last town meeting, we reported on the ceiling leak in the girl's bathroom and the patch repair to the section of the roof above the bathroom. The ceiling damage has been repaired and there is no leak there at all. However, we were concerned that this leak may be just the beginning of a problem because the roof there is flat and has not been replaced for a long time. We had two roofing contractors look at that section and they both said that indeed it was in poor condition. Both quotes are around \$5000.

To replace the front and side double doors will cost about \$2000 each - that is for a steel frame and door with hardware and installation. The doors at present are showing wear and tear but are still working.

As of 1/11/90, we have in our two accounts a total of \$6,912.52. The 5-year WMA cost-of-living freeze comes off July 1 so that we will receive approximately \$800 more next year in payments. However, we are concerned that if we proceed with the roof repair, we would not be able to cover any emergency expenses. We are researching possible ways to fund these projects.

Our committee has had an information meeting on asbestos with WMA and a representative from an asbestos removal contractor. The report by BCM Potomac, Inc., an engineering and laboratory firm in Vienna, Virginia, on the Buzz Ware Village Center was to identify friable (easily crumbled by hand) and non-friable suspect asbestos-containing materials. The WMA was required to have an accredited asbestos inspection and maintenance program by a federal rule enacted in October of 1986 applying to public and private schools under the Environmental Protection Agency. Sixteen samples of plaster, ceiling tile, sheetrock and linoleum were collected and tested from the BWVC; nine from the modules. Although none of the samples from our part of the building tested positive for asbestos, the 12" X 12" hallway floor tiles and 9" X 9" pink floor tiles were not tested and are in the category of "assumed to contain asbestos" because of their size and type. Undamaged floor tiles are considered non-friable; the potential for release of asbestos in these materials is very low and the tiles would have to be significantly damaged before any fiber release would occur.

At present, the only change we have to make is to have Mr. Bratten discontinue buffing the floor tile to preserve the tiles as they are; WMA has sent a staff person to DelTech for a training course to comply with federal rules on monitoring the conditions of these tiles. The monitoring program began in June of 1989. Long-term, if any significant renovation were planned in the building, we would have to send samples of the tile for testing and if it tested positive, the tiles would have to be removed by a certified asbestos removal company. Of course, this is very expensive. However, the representative at the meeting did comment that many companies are coming into this area and perhaps in the future increased competition might bring the costs of removal down.

Tomorrow, two of our committee members will be attending an asbestos awareness session at WMA along with the Brattens and Marie Dugan. We plan to tape this session and keep it with the secretary's minutes for future reference.

Our committee has been asked to clarify certain rules regarding use of the greens by residents during school hours. Are the swings, for instance, reserved exclusively for WMA use, or the basketball blacktop? The Cooperation Agreement states the following:

- "4. The Association will also have use of the open land and playground adjacent to the BWVC during the school year."

We would like to think that shared use is possible, but sometimes it is not. Who has claim in that case? Children are always first, teen-agers and adults come second? We feel this needs clarification and would like to study this and bring a clear policy to the March town meeting. We have already decided that a general information meeting with the WMA staff in the fall to discuss and clarify responsibilities, such as snow removal, bush trimming, broken glass, is necessary. We hope to come up with a fair policy in this area as well.

Discussion:

The issue of shared playground use arose when Tim Colgan was asked to leave the basketball court when a class of 40 children wanted to use it. The original agreement was for shared use. Arden toddlers use the equipment during the day with Montessori children, teens and older children use the area late afternoons and weekends. There is nothing to be gained from making a big issue of this.

We must fix the roof within the next six months to avoid further damage. The town will have to bear the total cost of the building when WMA leaves in 1996. We should consider establishing a reserve fund for large projects. Can we fix the roof ourselves? This is not a job for amateurs, it requires heat and could cause a fire.

Civic Committee- Eugene Shaw

The expected increase in garbage collection rates will not go into effect until July 1. At that time, we can expect an increase of \$1.35 per month per residence. This will increase our annual cost from \$26400 to \$29073, an increase of \$2673 per year.

We are getting estimates for partial replacement of the storm sewer running through lots 92½ and 92A into the woods. The last 100 ft. of it completely disintegrated quite a few years ago and was removed. The remaining 120 ft. section that is to be replaced is in very bad shape and is causing back-up of water.

As a tree for a memorial for Mary Morley, we would suggest a Golden Chain tree or some other unusual small tree.

There is no report on the Woodland Lane drainage problem as yet.

Discussion:

Why were the roads not cleaned of leaves and debris this Fall? The leaves are clogging the storm drains and the town looks grungy. The committee felt an expensive road sweeping was not necessary this year, three-fourths of the roads were clear. We plan to clean the catch basins in the Spring. The town budgets money for this service and we should use it. Can we schedule a volunteer road cleaning day in the Fall?

Community Planning Committee - Ruth Bean

The committee met 4 times since the last assembly.

We have been in contact with John Dossett of the Arden Club to discuss the appearance of the area below the parking lot, the condition of the path and some repairs needed to the drainage ditches. He presented these concerns, which he shared, to the Club and they are awaiting a quote on repairing the path. They will evaluate what has to be done and plan some kind of work session for a clean-up. We have indicated that there would be volunteers available to work at such an event.

The Civic Committee and we have planned a joint meeting in February to discuss woods management. We have again expressed our concern about the drainage along Harvey Rd. We have had some phone conversations with Gwynne Smith about this and hope to have more to report on this at the next town meeting.

A committee has been formed to revise and update the Arden Book since there are only 45 copies left. We hope to have this project completed by late summer, in time for the Fair. This may be too optimistic, but it's a goal.

We have tried to notify people who have left cars parked in public areas, and several "dead" cars have been removed by owners. We would encourage people to remember the ordinances about parking and also to remember that we do want to keep the town looking attractive.

I have tried to reach the State Police at Gwynne Smith's suggestion. The speeding of cars is worse than ever. I discussed with her the possibility of a traffic survey to get some suggestions re: traffic signs and speed signs which at this time seem very confusing. She indicated she would be glad to activate this kind of study, but said that if recommendations were made, we would probably have to act in cooperation with the other two Ardens. I would be glad to get some reactions from residents about this.

There was a letter sent by the Trustees about dogs running loose in Arden and we hope that we will see some results from this.

I was unable to attend the last Town Meeting and was not informed of the charge to plan for the use of the Commons. I think that it would be wise for our three committees to meet after the election and make it priority business to present at the June Town Meeting if that is satisfactory with the Town Chairman.

The Woods Clean-up is set for April 21. We expect that both sides will need clearing and we plan to have some trail work done on paths, especially the one between the old pool and St. Martins Lane.

Discussion:

The committee was urged to proceed quickly on the meeting to revise ordinance #4 so we can be prepared for Spring.

Pete Renzetti reported that the illegal parking on the Green has stopped since he started leaving persistent memos on car windshields warning drivers that they would be prosecuted.

Ideas for traffic problems on Harvey Rd.:

- *Talk to Senator Myrna Bair - she has better connections with the Highway Department.

- *Consider an overhead sign at the Orleans intersection saying "All traffic stop for pedestrians crossing." This has been very effective in Newark.

Playground - Larry Walker

The required playground equipment inspection for October & November was held and necessary minor repairs completed. All equipment was tested by an adult to insure that the swings, slides, and other items were in safe condition. The next inspection will be held on January 24, 1990.

The swings, slides, jungle gyms, monkey bars, concrete pipes and the giraffe were all painted. The painting was needed for improving the appearance of the equipment for all the metal was heavily galvanized during manufacture. The coats of paint will help the metal last longer before it begins to rust.

On the baseball backstop on the Sherwood Green, the center section of chain link fence was deformed and rusty and replacement was necessary. The recently installed new section is of a heavier gauge galvanized steel so it should last longer than the previous fencing.

Registration Committee - Sally Hamburger

The November referendum received 228 valid ballots from 398 eligible voters. The budget passed, but since it needed 200 votes to approve it, it was a close call.

Assessors elected were: Aaron Hamburger, convenor, Bernard Brachman, Cy Liberman, Eugene Shaw, James Schwaber, Elizabeth Varley

Election for standing committees and Town Assembly officers.

Paul Thompson's name was added to the Registration Committee slate. Sally Hamburger removed her name from this committee's slate. Sally will continue to serve as Assembly Secretary until a candidate for the job can be found. Since the Secretary is an ex-officio member of the Registration Committee, her election would be redundant.

OLD BUSINESS

A letter from Paul Janiga, Program Manager of the Pollution Control Branch of the Department of Natural Resources.

"Please be advised that the New Castle County Dept. of Public Works has applied for a sewer construction permit on behalf of First Freedom Group, Inc., the developer for Beau Tree. The application involves construction of approximately 2070 linear feet of gravity sewer, 10 manhole and appurtenances. This project will discharge to the Naamans interceptor and includes a valve to provide in-line storage during periods of wet weather."

Sally spoke with Mr. Janiga and learned that Beau Tree, a proposed 48 lot development, is planned on Ebright Rd., just south of the Pennsylvania border. Mr. Janiga foresees no difficulties because of the in-line storage which will protect Naamans Creek during wet weather when overflow occurs. No public meeting on this issue is planned.

Discussion

We need more technical information on this project and someone to interpret the information. What is the capacity of the in-line storage? Who will be responsible for turning off the valve? Our understanding was that nothing would be added to the Naamans interceptor until the current situation is resolved.

Motion: Town Assembly, responding to your letter of March 17, requests a public hearing on the application from First Freedom Group, Inc. We also request that full technical information concerning this connector be provided to Arden at least 10 days prior to the hearing to allow time for study.

Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion:

Who should handle the follow-up on this situation? Sally will contact Mr. Janiga. Community Planning Committee will take over from there. When a public hearing is scheduled, Community Planning will inform the town. Pat Liberman and Maria Burslem offered to form a calling committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Please change the road signs on Mill Lane, which now read Mill Road. Visitors confuse it with Millers Rd. Don Holcomb will order new signs for the Civic Committee.

GOOD AND WELFARE

An accolade for Virginia Shaw. Virginia's love for Arden was evident through her activity on Arden's behalf - right up unto the time of her death. We will miss her.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 PM. Sally Hamburger

The regular meeting of the Town Assembly of the Village of Arden was convened at 7:40 PM on June 26, 1989, Chairman William Press presiding.

In attendance were:

Sally Hamburger	Paul Thompson	Tom Colgan
Rae F. Gerstine	Mary E. Irons	Ruth Panella
Lew Aumach	Bob Wynn, NV	Frank Akutowicz
Peggy Aumack	Lee Starr	Maryellen Jobson
Lanier Colgan	Susan Rohrbach	June Kleban
Matt Stearns	Ethel Monfort	Leon Tanzer
Ted Conwell, NV	Ruth Bean	John Demsey
Bill Press	Kate Threefoot	Chris Demsey
Pat Press	Lou Bean	Don Holcomb
Jean K. Brachman	Steven Threefoot	Pete A. Renzetti
Frank Young	Pat Liberman	Mary Brent Whipple
Eugene Shaw	Cy Liberman	Larry Walker
Betty Knott	Aaron Hamburger	Bernie Brachman
Shaul Gladstone	Connie Wright McKinney	Alan Burslem
Hugh Roberts	Robin McKinney, NV	Tim Colgan
Jannie Stearns	Joan W. Colgan	Maria Burslem
Brian Barbehenn, NV		

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Radon Specialists offering to test your house for radon. See secretary for details.

Welcome to Al Benson, foster son of George and Minnie Newcomb. Al is visiting from California.

Ted Conwell from the Delaware Nature Education Society

There is a crises in Delaware. New home complexes and condos are raping the open space. The Land, Water Conservation Trust Fund of \$400,000 yields \$40,000 a year to work with. With this amount we can buy about 10 acres in New Castle County for preservation.

Senate Bill #110 would transfer one-fourth of the real estate transfer tax to the conservation fund for ten years. This would add ten million per year to the fund, leaving about seven million for the counties, cities and towns.

This bill is being supported by fifty-two organizations including all three counties, the City of Wilmington, civic groups, conservation groups and a majority of legislators in both houses. Nancy Cook will not let it out of the Finance Committee claiming they have higher priorities. The Governor claims to be in favor of open space but doesn't like this bill because it limits his control.

Matt Stearns presented an American flag and Delaware State flag to Town Assembly in honor of all servicemen. Matt will be custodian of the flags and make sure they are displayed at each meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustees - Shaul Gladstone

The auditor's report showing the financial condition of the village as of March 25, 1989 has been submitted to us by Corcoran and Company, our accountants. Significant items in the report are as follows:

General Fund Balance	\$80,397
Municipal Street Aid Balance	3,583
Revenue Sharing Balance	1,583
Village Center Fund Balance	4,560
TOTAL	\$90,123

For reasons not yet determined, this is about \$7,000 higher than projections made in March of this year.

Other good news is that our annual insurance premium, which has been on an unrestrained rise for several years, has just been reduced from \$6555 to \$3835; a saving of \$2720. In addition, there will be no County tax increase this year since County Council defeated County Executive Greenhouse's proposed 18% increase.

Finally, our bank balance as of March 31, 1989 was \$247,034.65, \$180,000 of which is invested in a C.D. at 9.4%. The remainder is our working capital and is in our insured money market fund at 7.35%.

A bad sewer leak was discovered in the woods behind Wesolowsski's house and was reported to the Civic Committee which will report on the resolution of the problem.

Assessors - Cy Liberman

You have the Assessor's report. I don't think it is necessary for me to read it to you; it is almost exactly the same as last year's report except for the figures. You will see that we are again using the formula developed a few years ago to define the "full rental value of the land." In applying that formula this year we arrived at a reduction in rental value. The reduction came about primarily because the quality of the trash collection service provided in the village was reduced, saving the village some money. We applied the saving equally to all leaseholds by reducing the "A" rate. The other rates are the same as last year's. The only other change we made is in the factor for leaseholds along Sherwood Green. We restored that factor to where it was year before last. The overall reduction inland rents comes to \$76 for each leasehold.

Under the rules by which Arden operates, the determination of land rents by the elected Board of Assessors is final unless an alternative is presented at the September meeting of the Town Assembly and is approved by a two-thirds vote, in which case both proposals are submitted to a referendum.

Report received by Town Assembly.

Audit - Mary Irons

See Trustees report. Complete audit on file.

Buzz Ware Village Center - Connee Wright McKinney

The committee has received official word from the Wilmington Montessori Board that they will be renewing their contract which will now extend until July, 1996. This extension is covered by the Amendment to the Cooperation Agreement of August 6, 1985. Please note that Arden did not have the option to terminate the agreement. Because there has been confusion about this, I would like to include item #2 from the Agreement:

"2. The Cooperation Agreement, as amended herein, will automatically be extended for a five year period July 1, 1991 to July 1, 1996, unless Wilmington Montessori Association elects to terminate the Agreement by giving written notice to the Village of Arden on or before July 1, 1989 as provided by Section 14 (h) of the Cooperation Agreement."

On or before July 1, 1994, the Village of Arden will have the right to end the agreement; this will be two years before the 1996 contract ends. If the village does not choose to end the agreement at that time, WMA will be able to extend the contract for five years or until July 1, 2001.

Please understand that the money we now receive from WMA is for maintenance use only; we do not have any funds available for future town use. In fact, our agreement reads that from July 1, 1994 to July 1, 1996, any money that our committee has will be refunded to WMA unless it is used for normal maintenance. In short, we are not able to underwrite any future town use - that money must come from somewhere else.

The air conditioner has been installed in room 4. Arden committees are free to use it for their meetings and we are asking for a donation of \$1.00 per hour for use by other groups. After your meeting or activity, please tell Ruth Bean approximately how long the air conditioner was on so that we can keep tabs on its use.

The BWVC has been used for 13 committee meetings and 9 scheduled events since the last town meeting in March.

The ACRA program began today at the BWVC and the morning program will be running until Friday, July 30; also, in August, there are several ACRA events scheduled there for the evenings and weekends and the first week in August, it will be used for the ACRA children's play rehearsals.

The new committee met and elected the following officers:

Ruth Bean - scheduling (or keeper of the keys) and programming
John Demsey and Bill Theis - maintenance
Sue Rohrbach - secretary
Connee McKinney - chairperson

Civic - Eugene Shaw

Bids have been requested for road work but are not in yet. Work will include resurfacing of the intersection of Millers, Cherry and The Sweep.

Repaving of Pond Rd. from the firelane to just short of the Meadow Lane intersection. The possible widening of Pond Rd. alongside of the Club parking lot. Repaving Sherwood from Marsh to a point 10 ft. past the first manhole.

We will stockpile quarry waste material at the end of the overflow parking area on Sherwood Green to be used as soon as possible where cars have dug deep ruts inside the curbs.

There was a very bad sewer back-up near the old swimming pool. The County responded very quickly to a phone call and opened up the line.

Arrow has given an estimate for garbage collection for the 1990/91 season. The estimate is an increase of about 35¢ a month per domicile or an increase of \$960 per year. Dumping fees are going up about 14%.

Discussion;

Widening Pond Lane:

If you need to remove trees for the widening, where will you plant new ones? No definite decision as yet.

Please don't widen Pond Lane; there are many children on Pond and Meadow Lanes and traffic is too fast now.
Speed humps:

Plans are being made for 2 speed humps on Sherwood Rd., one in front of Shaws, one near the School Green. Some residents requested humps around the Arden Green to discourage speeding.

Aren't speed bumps more effective? That issue has already been resolved by Town Assembly in favor of humps. The committee has a copy of the State guidelines for speed humps.

Roads:

Civic Committee was urged to inspect the washouts from heavy rains on the sides of the roads; they need to be filled to prevent road erosion. That is the purpose of the stockpile of quarry waste.

The water run-off problem is a long term paving situation requiring a 3-5 year plan for digging up the roads that are higher than the curbs and replacing them.

The new driveway at the intersection of Millers and The Sweep extends 6 inches into the road. A letter has already been sent to the resident informing him that when that intersection is resurfaced this summer we will have to remove the end of the drive. One resident felt we should not discourage nice drive-ways like this one.

Trash Collection:

Civic Committee was commended for a fine job on the transition from behind-the-house to curbside pick-up.

Some residents are putting out garbage in plastic bags instead of cans. The bags get broken and garbage strewn about. People are not bringing in cans in a timely fashion. Gene will put a warning notice in the Arden Page.

How can we encourage the recycling of newspapers? Can we put a recycling clause in next year's contract?

The committee should get competitive bids for next year's garbage contract.

Arden Green:

Please restore the outdoor theater to good condition. Many seats are missing.

Out of towners are using the greens on a regular basis for baseball games on Tuesdays and Thursdays; intermittently for frisbee games. The players are noisy, use bad language, drink and speed. Isn't this in violation of ordinance #4 which clearly states they must have a permit for regular use? We need to post the rules for use of the green and the procedure for obtaining a permit. Can we legally prevent people from using the green which is public parkland? Let's not take all summer to solve this problem.

Community Planning - Ruth Bean

The committee met with the Trustees to clarify our role in relation to variance requests and zoning issues. We have been asked to assist in poling immediate neighbors of applicants. Rationale being that the Trustees are frequently given very short notice of requests to consider. We will continue to discuss and evaluate the whole matter of zoning and variance guidelines with the Trustees in order to present possible procedural changes to the town for consideration at a future date.

On April 22 there was a most successful woods clean-up. Cecilia Vore organized the Arden Woods side and Gail Rinehart the Sherwood. Fifty people ages 2-70+ were involved. The condition of both sides was quite good, although there is an ongoing

problem of "junk" floating down the creek into Arden during heavy rains. Thanks to Cookie Kelly and her mother the workers were served delicious refreshments after the clean-up, at which time Sally Thurston presented Bob Wynn with a special "Bob Wynn Interceptor Award" for all his efforts in monitoring the creek and his success in removing the overflow pipe.

Community Planning has been concerned about some safety problems in the town. The Safety Committee responded by posting a "Children At Play" sign on Meadow Lane. We approached the president of the Arden Club about the erosion on the path along the pool which is full of holes and roots. A representative from Community and Safety will make recommendations to the Civic Committee in the near future as to safety measures to control the speed of traffic around the BWVC and Gild Hall.

On May 13th there was a clean-up of the Memorial Garden, thanks to the many phone calls and good planning by Ethel Monfort we had over 30 people in attendance. Prior to that day, a replacement to the Dove Tree was planted. Many people in town contributed money so that Ken Nichols could bid on it at a special auction. His efforts and those of the contributors are much appreciated.

The committee was informed that we were denied our request for a public hearing re: Beaux Tree Development's connection to the Naaman's Sewer Interceptor. After reading Mr. Janiga's material and hearing a report by Cy Liberman, it was decided at Advisory Committee to let this drop and focus on the total issue of the interceptor and plans for changes. There will be a public meeting on July 26 at Concord High School, 7:30 PM. We urge as many to attend as are able. We have collected questions for the Commission and urge anyone who has questions and cannot attend to give them to Cy or Lew Aumack.

The committee was charged to nominate two people to the Brandywine Council of Civic Associations. Lewis Aumack has agreed to serve for two years, Leon Tanzer for one.

We suggest that from now on the town maintain two active members on this council, each serving for two years (after this year) so that each year a person is appointed and there is continuity of representation. Persons would be able to serve consecutive terms. The representatives will act in response to the concerns of the Town and the Community Planning Committee, being ready to report on issues raised at the council and how they voted. Criteria for nomination for these positions would be: interest and attendance at Town meetings. All people in member communities may attend meetings but only officially designated representatives may vote and attend board meetings. We wish to thank Pat and Cy Liberman, the Aumacks and others for alerting us to issues we needed to address and for attending meetings in the past year.

Community Planning would like to see some of the woods paths reclaimed. The Civic Committee Chair suggested that if one could get a group interested in such a project, they would approve it.

We have begun collecting suggestions for correcting or changing the Ardeb Book and welcome more.

Leon Tanzer presented a series of recommendations for our committee to consider...most will require much further discussion. One was simple and we would like to present it to the town to consider.

"When we elect town committees, the first alternate should attend committee meetings, without voting rights."

Rationale being: too many good people lose; it provides more people-power and thus more ideas are germinated; the first alternate would be informed so that they would find it easier to step into the position should a committee member leave.

At this time we know of no new developments re: the Hatzis property, however a petition drafted by Ruth Pinella has been passed around tonight to be presented to the Council at the next meeting on this issue.

Bob Wynn report on the Naamans Interceptor

The County has hired engineering consultants and a Public Relations firm from Baltimore. They are encouraging citizen complaints in order to justify a 5 million dollar expenditure.

The County has rotorooted the interceptor, gotten huge roots out of the sewer and grouted holes in the line. It was a good job. Bob walked the line during the last heavy rain and found no overflowing manholes except one in Lancashire.

The County is putting a 9-10" bypass line with big pumps in. This seems a useless and expensive move - it will double the sewer capacity and make possible more growth in the area. We are being maneuvered into a position of supporting growth. We should resist this on a conservation basis.

The next meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee on June 7 will examine a proposal to spend \$400,000 to study a possible 5 million dollar project.

Representation on the Brandywine Council of Civic Organizations

Moved that the Chairman of Town Assembly appoint 2 Arden representatives to the council on an ongoing basis.

Discussion:

The two year term of office is specified in the Council by-laws, but representatives can be reappointed.

Community Planning Committee should submit names of interested people to the Chairman. Names may be submitted by anyone, but authority to appoint should rest with the Chairman.

A substitute should also be named in case neither representative can attend a meeting.

Motion Passed

Playground - Larry Walker

When the committee was convened, Larry Walker was selected as chairman and Mary Vernon will be the "administrator" handling the joint duties of secretary and treasurer.

During the past quarter, the required playground equipment inspections were made. All of the equipment is in good repair.

A second infant swing seat was installed on the Sherwood Green. A total of six cubic yards of root mulch was spread on both greens to absorb the shock of falls by children using the equipment.

The Pioneer Fence Company has been instructed to replace the worn center section of the baseball backstop on the Sherwood Green. They will replace the thin gauge cyclone fencing with a much thicker gauge material. Repainting of the equipment is continuing.

Registration - Jean Brachman for Lanier Colgan

There are 407 voters eligible to vote at tonight's meeting.

Results of the March Election:

AUDIT: Marianne Cinaglia, Mary Irons, Leon Tanzer
 BUDGET: Kate Threefoot, Pete Renzetti, John Page
 BUZZ WARE VILLAGE CENTER: Connee McKinney, Ruth Bean, Sue Rohrbach
 CIVIC: Carl Falco, Dane Miller
 COMMUNITY PLANNING: Gail Rinehart, Ruth Bean, Ethel Monfort
 LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: Mary Brent Whipple
 PLAYGROUND: Lou Bean, Mary Vernon, Ted Heymann
 SAFETY: Tim Colgan, John Grimaldi, Elizabeth Varley Walker
 REGISTRATION: Lanier Colgan, Jean Brachman, Pat Press

Bea Jaffe and John Dossett tied for fourth place on this committee. The committee is divided as to what we should do about this. We could have a run-off election to night or we could have one person serve as a regular voting member and one as an honorary member, in which case, since neither member is here, the decision would be postponed until I speak to both of them. I would like the sense of the meeting.

Moved that both people involved in the tie should serve, each having a one-half vote.

Motion Passed

Safety - Tom Colgan

A "Watch Children" sign has been installed on Meadow Lane, another has been ordered for Pond Lane.

It is difficult to handle the misuse of the Green problem. When a group is approached, there is never anyone "in charge". Make sure there is a name of someone to take responsibility on any permit.

Legislative Reference - Mary Brent Whipple

The committee met and elected Mary Brent Whipple chairperson. We plan to meet with Bill Press in order to review some parts of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER so we can learn which rules most often come up for discussion. We need to be familiar with the by-laws, 3 court cases, and we are looking at less cumbersome ways to order the governing documents.

OLD BUSINESS

Arden Archives - Sally Hamburger

The committee: Sally Hamburger, Chairman, Jean Brachman, Joan Colgan, Pat Liberman and Ethel Monfort, recommends that this be made a standing committee by vote of the September meeting. With your approval, this item will be placed on the agenda for that meeting. If the sense of this meeting is positive, we will approach the Budget Committee with a request to be included in their planning.

Our current, pressing need is for storage and work space. To that end, we are working with the BWVC Committee on the possibility of space in that building. We also need storage equipment: file cabinets, work table, folders etc.

Our plan is for the current committee to continue to serve until March, 1990 when we would enter the regular election system. The chairman was appointed by Bill Press, other members volunteered at Town Assembly.

The committee is enjoying exploring and cataloguing materials from Virginia Shaw. We hope to share some of our findings with you from time to time. In that spirit, I would like to tell you